# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1828
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CHANDIGARH DOORDARSHAN STUDIO
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Doordarshan has a modern well equipped studio at Chandigarh;

(b) if so, the total cost incurred on setting up the same and the facilities available there;

(c) the activities carried out there and the programmes generated and telecast from there;

(d) the reasons for under-utilization of the studio;

(e) whether the Prasar Bharati has considered the desirability of starting local news network from Chandigarh and otherwise utilizing the studio optimally; and

(f) if so, the details of the plan, if any, in this regard?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. A studio centre comprising a studio equipped with a three camera set up and allied equipment, was set up at a cost of Rs. 4.97 crore.

(c) : Currently, the Kendra has one hour transmission per day from Monday to Friday in which programmes of different genres including current affairs, art, culture, literature, folk music, etc. are telecast.

(d) : Full utilization of the studio centre has not been possible for the present, as requisite posts have not been sanctioned.

(e) and (f) : There is no such proposal at present.